

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Baker, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, O'Brien, Palmer of 14th, Peacock, Rogers, Rouse, Whidden, Sams, Walson of 4th, Wilson of 7th and Wadsworth—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The correction of the Journal was deferred until later in the day.

The President announced the following Committee on the part of the Senate under Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2: Messrs. Miller, Whidden and Harris.

The President announced the following Committee on the part of the Senate under House Concurrent Resolution No. 1: Messrs. MacWilliams, Wilson of 4th, Myers and Adams.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Kirk introduced the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 9:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills is hereby authorized to employ an assistant clerk.

Which was read and referred to the Special Committee on Clerical Aid.

Mr. Peacock introduced the following resolution.

Senate Resolution No. 10:

Be it resolved by the Senate, That the Board of State Institutions be and are hereby authorized to open the bids filed with them for the hire of the State convicts for four years beginning on the 1st day of January, 1902, and to accept any such bid that in their judgment would serve the best interests of the State, at an amount not less than one hundred and thirty dollars per capita per annum.

Mr. Peacock moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Peacock offered the following amendment:

Strike out the word "authorized," and insert the word "requested."

Mr. Peacock moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Harris moved that the amendment be laid on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment, together with the resolution, was laid on the table.

Mr. Blitch introduced the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 11:

Resolved by the Senate, That hereafter the reports of committees be spread upon the Journal without being read, and that the bills be placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading without otherwise being ordered by the Senate, except where the report requires the immediate action of the Senate.

Mr. Blitch moved the adoption of the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Adams:

Senate Bill No. 70:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide annuities for disabled soldiers and wives of deceased soldiers and sailors of the State of Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Adams:

Senate Bill No. 71:

A bill to be entitled an act making incurable insanity a ground for divorce of husband and wife, and regulating proceedings in such cases.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McCreary:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 72:

Senate Joint Resolution relating to the election of United States Senators by the people.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Wilson of 7th:

Senate Bill No. 73:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 4497, Laws of Florida, the same being an act to incorporate the city of West Tampa, in the county of Hillsborough.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

By Mr. O'Brien:

Senate Bill No. 74:

A bill to be entitled an act for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals, and to rescue children from immoral surroundings.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. O'Brien:

Senate Bill No. 75:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Lee Daniel.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Sams:

Senate Bill No. 76:

A bill to be entitled an act to name, improve, regulate and inspect the Asylum for the Insane, located at Chatahoochee, Gadsden, county, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wilson of 7th:

Senate Bill No. 77:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the city charter of the city of Port Tampa.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5:

Providing for a committee to visit the convict camps of the State.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that House Concurrent Resolution No. 5 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3:

For appointment of committee to visit East Florida Seminary and South Florida Military and Educational Institute.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment:

After the word "Gainesville," on third line, add the following, "Blind, Deaf and Dumb Institute at St. Augustine, Fla."

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Myers gave notice that on to-morrow he would move

that the vote on the amendment, just taken, be reconsidered.

Mr. Harris moved that the rules be waived and the motion to reconsider be now taken up.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Myers renewed his notice to move to reconsider to-morrow.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 3, together with proposed amendment, was laid over until to-morrow.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 10:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, Senate concurring, that a joint committee of five (5), three (3) on part of the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to take up, consider and report the most economical, practical and efficient manner of visiting and inspecting the different State Institutions, convict camps, canals, etc., of the State and report as early as practicable.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Kirk moved to indefinitely postpone.

Which was agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 4:

Providing for a committee to visit the State Blind, Deaf and Dumb Institute, at St. Augustine.

Was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Crill moved that consideration of House Concurrent Resolution No. 4 be laid over until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Adams moved that the rules be waived and that hereafter the calling for the reports of committees by name be dispensed with, and when that order of business is read, the chairman of each committee will send his report to the Secretary's desk.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Myers, Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer:

President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred the communication of the Governor informing the Senate that the Board of State Institutions has important data and information that should be communicated to the

Senate, and that the said Board would be pleased to confer with the proper Committee of the Senate, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered said communication, and they conceive that it would be a departure from well-established precedent for the Senate to receive the data and information referred to in the manner suggested by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, and that it would be more consonant with usage and orderly procedure for the Governor to transmit by message to the Senate any information or data in the possession of this Board, or of any administrative officer, which he may deem it of importance to lay before the Senate, together with any recommendations he may consider it proper to make concerning the same. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution as expressing the sense of the Senate upon the subject.

Very respectfully,
 FRED. T. MYERS,
 Chairman.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to acknowledge the communication made to the Senate by the Governor in behalf of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, on April 5, 1901, and to inform the Governor in behalf of the Senate that the Senate will receive any information or data in the possession of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, which the Governor may deem it advisable to lay before this body, and will consider any recommendations which the Governor may have to make concerning the same, when communicated to the Senate by message from the Governor.

Mr. Myers moved the adoption of the resolution accompanying the above report.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 57:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1482, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to bills for divorce.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 57, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend paragraph 2 of Section 1458 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to appeals operating as a supersedeas.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 27, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 68:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Tampa Bay and East Coast Railway Company, and to prescribe its powers and privileges.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 68, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 56:

A bill to be entitled an act fixing a license tax for running hacks or other conveyances for the transportation of passengers.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 56, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 28:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 4047 of the Acts of the Legislature of Florida, of 1891, the same being entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a Board of Examiners, and to regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of Florida, being Chapter 4047 of the Laws of Florida, approved May 25, A. D. 1891.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend its passage with the following amendment, to-wit:

After the last line of Section 3, on Page 1, add the following:

And who has been a resident of the State of Florida for not less than six months prior to the time of making application.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 28, contained in the above report, together with amendments thereon, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. McCaskill, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 49:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 4700, of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled an act to revise and amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the regulation of railroad schedules, freights, express, sleeping car and passenger tariffs, and building of freight and passenger depots in this State; to prevent unjust discrimination in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freight, and to prohibit railroad companies, corporations, persons and all common carriers in this State from charging other than just and reasonable rates, and to enforce the same, and to prescribe a mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to provide for the appointment and election of Commissioners and to prescribe their duties and powers," and to authorize said Commissioners to regulate, supervise and control the use and the charges for the use of and admission to passenger terminals and union depots, and to vest said Commissioners with judicial powers, and to provide remedies for the enforcement of the provisions of this act.

Have considered the same and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

E. V. McCASKILL,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 49, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Rouse, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 41:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 4537 of the Laws of the State of Florida, approved June 7, 1897, of an act entitled an act to amend Section 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 12, 22, 24, 25, 30, 37, 40, of an act entitled an act to provide for the registration of all legally qualified voters in the several counties of the State, and to provide for general and special elections, and for the returns of elections, approved May 25, 1895.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. C. ROUSE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 41, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 59:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the passage of ordinances by incorporated cities and towns, and the promulgation of rules and regulations of the State Board of Health, to enforce and compel the vaccination and re-vaccination of citizens and residents of the State of Florida, and prescribing the duties of certain officers and persons to that end, and providing certain penalties for failure, refusal or neglect to comply with the provisions of the same.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

P. W. BUTLER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 59, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1:

Proposing amendments to Sections 2 and 4 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Recommend that Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 be referred to the Joint Committee of the House of Representatives and Senate, appointed to report proposed legislation looking to the relief of the Supreme and Circuit Courts.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, contained in the above report, was referred to the Joint Special Committee to report proposed legislation looking to relief of Supreme and Circuit Courts.

Mr. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

Sir—Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4:

Proposing to amend Article V of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Recommend that Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 be referred to the Joint Committee of the House of Representatives and Senate, appointed to report proposed legislation looking to the relief of the Supreme and Circuit Courts.

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 4, contained in the above report, was referred to the Joint Special Committee to report:

proposed legislation looking to relief of Supreme and Circuit Courts.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 47:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 4788 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled an act to prohibit fishing in the fresh water lakes of this State with seines or nets or by any set device, or by shooting or gigging, approved June 3, 1899.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 47, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 36:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 4216 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to prohibit shooting, seining or trapping of fish in the waters of certain lakes in the county of Polk, and to provide a penalty for violation of the same, approved May 30, 1893.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that same do pass

Very respectfully,
FRANK W. SAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 36, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 45:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the sale and transportation for sale of fresh water fish beyond the limits of the county in which they are caught, and to fix a penalty for violation thereof.

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

FRANK W. SAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 45, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 52:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 6 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the powers of the Boards of Commissioners of Pilotage and Port Wardens in and for the ports of the State, approved June 12, 1891, being chapter 4046 of the Laws of Florida."

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. ED. O'BRIEN,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 52, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Commerce and Navigation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 60:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the names of the Hillsboro River and Mosquito Lagoon to Indian River North.

Beg to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. ED. O'BRIEN,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 60, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organizations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 7:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Mulberry, in Polk County, Florida, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of the town of Mulberry valid and of full force and effect.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 34:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 37 and 57 of Chapter 4869, being an act entitled "An act to abolish the present municipal government of the city of Lakeland, in the county of Polk, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and to constitute a municipality to be known and designated as Lakeland, and to define its territorial boundary, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges."

Also,

Senate Bill No. 54:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled "An act to authorize the county of Monroe to bond itself in the sum of

\$500,000, for the purpose of constructing a public highway and necessary trestling and drawbridges to connect the island of Key West with Key Largo," approved May 25, 1895, being Chapter 4443 of the Laws of Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to organize a municipal government for the town of Genoa, Florida, same being Chapter 4311, Laws of Florida, and approved May 26, 1893.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and recommend that said bills be passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

An Senate Bills No. 7, 34, 54 and 16, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Harris, Chairman of the Committee on City and County Organization, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on City and County Organization, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 61:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the assessment, levy and collection of revenue for the city of Pensacola.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 69:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the county of Monroe to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing sites for public schools and armory, erecting substantial buildings thereon, repairing the county Court House, and building a county road upon the Island of Key West.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and it is recommended that the said bills be passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,

W. HUNT HARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 61 and 69, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Kirk, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

President of the Senate:

Sir—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 2:

A bill to be entitled an act to revive, continue and extend the charter of the Ladies' Village Improvement Association of Green Cove Springs, Florida.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 5:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 4147 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled an act to regulate the carrying of fire arms, approved June 2, 1893.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 9:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the municipality of Jacksonville to issue bonds and provide for the payment thereof.

Also,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 25:

A Joint Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a donation to Florida Agricultural College.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

B. F. KIRK,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills No. 2, 5 and 9 and Senate Joint Resolution No. 25, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of bills on third reading.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 44:

A bill to be entitled an act to prescribe the mode of procedure in courts of Justices of the Peace and County Judges.

Was taken up.

Mr. O'Brien asked to be allowed to withdraw Senate Bill No. 44.

Which request was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 44 was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 43:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the carrying of arms secretly.

Was taken up.

Mr. O'Brien asked leave to withdraw Senate Bill No. 43.

Which request was granted.

Senate Bill No. 32:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish decrees of deficiency in suits of foreclosure of mortgages in this State.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that Senate Bill No. 32 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 29:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the carrying of concealed weapons in the State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. McCaskill asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 29.

Which request was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 29 was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 18:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2357 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to limitation of prosecutions.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 18 was passed informally.

Senate Bill No. 31:

A bill to be entitled an act to punish the vendee for the fraudulent purchase of goods, wares or merchandise from the vendor.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 31 was passed informally.

Senate Bill No. 30:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the purchase, sale and transfer of stocks of goods, wares and merchandise in bulk.

Mr. Blitch moved that Senate Bill No. 30 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 39:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other States relative to divorce procedure and divorce from the bond of marriage.

Was taken up.

Mr. Broome moved that Senate Bill No. 39 be made a special order for Thursday next at 11 o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 22:

A bill to be entitled an act to pay the expenses of Circuit Court Judges while in attendance upon their respective circuits.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 22 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 53:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a rule of evidence for the proof of book accounts.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 53 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 48:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 1959 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the execution of deed by a married woman under age.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the committee substitute, with the following title:

Committee substitute for Senate Bill No. 48:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize a married woman under age to convey real estate.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Kirk moved the substitute offered by the committee for Senate Bill No. 48 be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 48 was then read a second time in full and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act to give the Prosecuting Attorneys of the County Courts the right to issue process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with committee substitute therefor, with the following title:

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled an act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the adoption of the substitute for Senate Bill No. 8.

Which was agreed to.

And substitute for Senate Bill No. 8 was read a second time in full and referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 19:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains by the several counties of the State of Florida, and to provide for assessments of the costs thereof against the property benefited thereby, and further to provide for the collection and enforcement of such assessments, and to legalize all contracts for drains which heretofore may have been entered into, and assessments made therefore, made by the County Commissioners of any county in the State of Florida under Chapter 4807 of the Laws of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the committee amendments.

Mr. Wilson of 7th moved the adoption of the committee amendment as follows:

By adding to Section 7 on page 4 the following: "Provided, That no lien shall lie or be enforced against any tract of land for more than the amount so assessed against said tract."

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 19, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Harris moved that the Senate proceed to the correction of the Journal.

Which was agreed to.

And the Journal was corrected and approved.

Mr. Dimick moved that the Senate adjourn till 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate stood adjourned till 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.